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In re Patent Application of:)	Confirmation No.: 9926
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Application No. 10/577,057)	Examiner: Sidney S. Phinazee
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For: SEMICONDUCTOR ELEMENT, METHOD FOR)	
MANUFACTURING THE SAME, LIQUID CRYSTAL)	Date: January 16, 2009
DISPLAY DEVICE, AND METHOD FOR)	
MANUFACTURING THE SAME)	

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

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Sir:

In accordance with the duty of disclosure as set forth in 37 C.F.R. §1.56, Applicants hereby submit the following information in conformance with 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98. No copy of the U.S. Patent documents have been supplied with this Information Disclosure Statement in accordance with the Official Gazette Notice dated August 5, 2003. Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.98, a copy of each of the other documents cited is enclosed.

The documents are being submitted within three (3) months of the filing of this application or entry into the national stage of this application, or before the first Office Action on the merits, whichever is later, therefore no fee or certification is required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b).

Applicants wish to note that EP 1 063 693 and U.S. Patent Publication No. 2007/0102818 were cited in a corresponding family application pending in the Chinese Patent Office on November 28, 2008. U.S. Patent Publication No. 2007/0102818 is in the same family as EP 1 063 693 but is not included in the communication of the Chinese Office Action. U.S. Patent No. 6,956,236 is in the same family as EP 1 063 693. It is not included in the communication of the Chinese Office Action but was previously cited.

It is requested that the accompanying PTO-1449 be considered and made of record in the above-identified application. To assist the Examiner, the documents are listed on the attached form PTO-1449. It is respectfully requested that the Examiner initial a copy of this form and return it to the undersigned.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees connected with this filing which may be required now, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-2380.

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